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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed December 3, 2003, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. This Response is timely filed on or before March 3, 2004, and no fee is required for its consideration.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes amending the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.

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Attachments to this paper include a website printout and a Material Safety Data Sheet, both of which are cited in the Remarks section of this paper.

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